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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 1890.

In another column we publish an appeal
to the community from the Finance Com-
mittee of the Alice Memorial Hospital, to
which we would direct special attention.
The appeal speaks for itself, and we feel
sure that it will not speak in vain. A vast
deal of invaluable work has been done in
aid of the struggling and suffering poor by
this useful institution, and in desiring to
extend the scope of its purely philanthropic
operations the Committee strike a chord
that should find a responsive echo in the
bosom of everyone who can afford even
ever so little to further such a deserving
object. The question has suggested itself to
us whether it would not be better to devote
the \$12,000 (and the proposed extra vote)
of public money set aside for the inane-
tomfooleries planned as a reception to the
Duke of CONNAUGHT, to benefit suffering
humanity, as proposed by the earnest
workers of the Alice Memorial Hospital? Undoubtedly it would, but then the object
flunkys for which Hongkong is so justly
famed would have no opportunity of
fully extending itself, and the official
grovelers and their satellites would be
deprived of the congenial pleasure of
crawling in the mud before the colourless
and uninteresting individual who, by mere
accident of birth for which he was in no
way responsible, is the son of Queen
VICTORIA and ALBERT the Good.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council
on Wednesday last the Administrator
deemed it advisable to state that the sum
of \$12,000 voted to cover the expenses of
the reception of the Duke of CONNAUGHT
would not be sufficient, and that a further
vote of from two to three thousand dollars
would be necessary. His Excellency made
this statement on the authority of some

members of the officially-appointed bogus
Reception Committee—a body the com-
munity has in the most conclusive manner
declined to recognise—and then proceeded,
with the best intentions we are perfectly
assured, to make assertions, for which
he certainly had no sufficient authority, as
to the feelings of the colony. Mr. FLEMING
said he could assure the Council that the
colony would not wish, for the sake of a
few hundred dollars, that any want of
loyalty should be shown to one of her
Majesty's sons; but it so happens, we
would remind his Excellency, that it is not a
question of a few hundreds, but about fifteen
thousand dollars, which Hongkong in its
present generally impoverished state, trade
almost at a standstill, misery, want and
destitution rampant on every side, and with
public works of crying necessity lying
fallow for lack of funds, cannot afford to
waste in purposeless mummeries, which are
an insult to the intelligence of even the
Duke of CONNAUGHT. And where does
the want of loyalty come in, we should
like to know! Our illustrious visitor—
illustrious only because he was born a
prince—will favor us with his distinguished
society for a few hours, and can it reason-
ably be contended that a barbarous dis-
play of so-called decorations and making
day and night hideous with salute firing
and fire-crackers are proofs of loyalty? So
far as the Duke of CONNAUGHT is
concerned, and we say it with all respect,
there is no such feeling as loyalty existing
in this colony. If the Administrator had
used the term "sentiment," he would have
been much nearer the mark. We yield to
none in loyalty to the recognised
Constitution of our country so long as it is
upheld by the votes of the British people,
and fully recognise the respect due to the
eminent titular position occupied by the
Queen, whose gracious attributes the world
acknowledges; but when the question of
loyalty is introduced with respect
to a person, however high-born, who
is an absolute nonentity in the
government of the Empire, and who rests
his only claim to distinction on the fact
that he happened to first see the light in
a palace instead of in a cottage, we
indignantly protest against such a wanton
misuse of terms. And His Excellency, and
the Council, and the pater-out Reception
Committee notwithstanding, we feel quite
sure that both the Duke and Duchess of
CONNAUGHT would infinitely prefer that the
proposed "loyal demonstrations," and the
abject toadyism which is an absolutely
necessary concomitant of such a degrading
exhibition, were left out of the programme.

Had the matter in the first instance been
impartially left to the Duke's decision,
there can be little doubt that both he and
his wife would have preferred to arrive in
our midst in peace and quietness.
Hongkong could have shown its respect
for the Queen's son without wasting
thousands of dollars, squeezed from a
hard-up and disgracefully over-taxed com-
munity; but truckling Government officials
and two or three aspiring Legislative
Councillors thought otherwise—it is so
cheap and so patriotic to make a display
and obtain temporary notoriety at other
people's expense. And thus while public
money is uselessly wasted in thousands in
childish absurdities, the Committee of the
Alice Memorial Hospital are compelled to
appeal to the charity of the community for
funds to carry on the noble work of healing
the sick and relieving the sufferings of the
destitute.

TELEGRAMS.

THE LOSS OF THE "QUETTA"
LONDON, March 13th.

Further particulars to hand show that
the British passengers on board the *Quetta* behaved
heroically, but that the native crew and pas-
sengers became a frantic uncontrollable mob,
and thrust aside the ladies and children from
the boats.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

OWING to the inclemency of the weather there
will be no cricket to-morrow.

THE Artillery Volunteers are going to man
Stoncutters' Island fort on the occasion of the
Royal visit.

DANIEL DE JESUS, charged with having caused
the death of a tailor, was this morning committed
for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

THE Manila *Diario* says that Woodyear is
importing three more equestrianism from Aus-
tralia to swell the attractions of his Circus. Legs
is trumps.

THE *New York Herald* says that the *Calit* will
be withdrawn from the Atlantic service in March,
and the *Adriatic* in April, and that they "may"
be sent out to the San Francisco run.

LIEUT. R. de C. Boyd, of the Argyll and Sutherland
Highlanders, arrived at Shanghai last
Saturday, having been lent by the Military
Authorities to superintend the drilling of the
Volunteers there.

We have received from Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., a
copy of Dr. Keir's "Select Phrases in the Canton
dialect," a useful little manual we can recom-
mend to all foreigners whose knowledge of
Chinese is only rudimentary.

HALF of the Chinese coolies at Tanjong Pagar
Singapore are said by the *Free Press* to be
down with influenza, and there is some difficulty
in despatching vessels.

"You can kiss me if you want to, Charley," she
said, "but"—and a delightful coolie suffered
cheeks, brow, and neck—"my little brother is
behind that screen where you see the small hole
in the centre, with a detective camera."

THE sporting match between Messrs. Young and
Ezekiel, which was to have been decided on the
Race-course this afternoon, has been postponed
until Monday next, on which date, (weather
permitting) the great event will come off.

A NEW magazine called the *Unitarian* has just
made its appearance in Tokyo. According to
the *Unitarian*, it has been established by the American
Unitarian Association in cooperation with some
of the most earnest and patriotic minds of Japan.

In connection with the new Masonic Order of
the Secret Monitor, the *Singapore Free Press*
learn that the Straits Settlements has been
erected into a district, with R. W. Br. F. H.
Gottlieb as D. G. S. R. The Conclave at Penang
has been allowed to take as its motto "Primus
in Indis."

THINGS have been decidedly dull about town
these last few days—so dull, in fact, that a young
financial friend of ours, in despair of any improve-
ment, and with a laudable desire for a new
sensation, started out to discharge some of his
numerous liabilities. Needless to say, his
success was complete.

COAL prospects in British North Borneo, we
learn from a trustworthy source, are of the most
satisfactory character. The concession which
was obtained some time ago by a local Syndicate
promises to be a great success, the prospecting
so far having exceeded the most sanguine
anticipations.

THE St. Patrick's Dance, promises to be an
unusually lively affair this year, between six and
seven hundred guests having been invited to
honor the memory of "old Ireland's" patron
saint—more power to his elbow. And, as might
be expected, the Committee are sparing no pains
to ensure a pleasant evening for their friends.

CAPTAIN Craigie, of H.M.S. *Hyacinth*, went
ashore at Singapore last week, unfortunately
forgetting to take his keys with him. During
his absence his Chinese steward discovered the
keys, opened the safe, and walked off with \$400,
\$500 being in \$10 notes and \$300 in \$5 notes.
A warrant for the arrest of the thief was issued.

SAYS the London *Hawk* of the 4th ult.:—"Sir
Charles Lees, the new Governor of the Mauri-
tius, will have little to do for some time to come,
his predecessor, Sir John Pope Hennessy, having
left everything in apple-pie order. On Sir John's
departure from Port Louis last month the Mauri-
tians made a great demonstration of affection for
him."

DURING the early part of to-day Queen's Road
was rather a dangerous thoroughfare for non-
swimmers to negotiate. Thanks, however, to
the many bamboo rafts which were being steered
there, and whose ultimate destination was the
triumphal arch about to be erected for the
debut of the ardently expected "Dook," no
fatal accidents have as yet been reported.

THE M.M. steamer *Diemah* got her propeller
entangled with the buoy moorings while coming
to the Pier at Kobe, last week. She was not
long in clearing herself. Three members of her
crew, who were remarkably good divers, suc-
ceeded in freeing the propeller of its entangle-
ment, and in less than an hour the vessel was
alongside the Pier.

THE Yokohama papers state that they learn that
the Viceroy Li is in consultation with other
Chinese officials regarding the Loochow Islands,
and that it is the intention of these officials to
send a despatch to the Japanese Government,
demanding the return of the Islands; and should
the reply be unfavourable, they threaten trouble
to Japan in the future.

THE gunboats *Cochet* and *Esper*, now on
their way to England from the China Station,
have been ordered to Devonport for survey by
the Dockyard officers preparatory to paying off
at that port. Orders have been given that they
are not to be stripped unless the rigging is found
to be in a bad state. The two vessels will be
afterwards commissioned for Coast-guard service
if found fit.

THE "Beaks" had a busy time of it this
morning at the Police Court. Proceedings were
opened by William Stagg, a sailor of H.M.S.
Zealandia, who made his best bow to Mr.
Robinson in extension of an allegation that he
was drunk and incapable at an early hour this
morning. The Magistrate was kind, and William
staggered out a free man, whose wealth was all
his own.

IT must be true that all the money in the colony
is locked up, or has gone astray, or at least is
not available for share investments. A year ago
had the prospects of the Tanjong Mining Co.
been so well as they are to-day, the
company would have been quoted at something
not far from \$100 per share. They are, as a matter
of fact, comparatively weak at \$17. All things
come to him who waits—long enough.

We think it a pity that the enterprising manager
of the Hongkong Hotel does not turn the
unique collection of objects, alleged to be broken
which daily assemble in the main entrance
of the Hotel, to some purpose. A glass case for each one
would enable visitors to view the beauties of
the collection to better advantage, and moreover
the Hotel would draw in a shelf or two in the
shape of rent. The hint is free, but the
remedy would be generally appreciated.

MR. Justice Wise delivered judgment on rather
an unusual point, in the *Sumner* case this
morning. On Wednesday he heard a case in
which Tang Kie contractor, and J. A. F. de
Sonnerville, for \$200. Mr. Wilkinson appeared
for the plaintiff, and Mr. Bowles defended. The
defendant and Mr. Charles Mooney own a piece
of land at the Peak, and each contracted with the
plaintiff to build a house on his portion. This
was done, but before Mooney had finished paying
for his part he failed. Tang Kie thereupon sought
to recover from de Sonnerville, alleging that the
two contracts had been all along treated as one.
In giving judgment his lordship found for the
defendant, with costs.

TIGERS are reported as numerous in Jelabu. At
Jeram Jungi, a gentleman came across the
fresh tracks of one, which he carefully measured
with a foot rule, the dimensions being eleven
inches by nine. This sounds like romancing,
but the fact can be proved. The natives seem
to have a yarn in connection with this animal,
which they believe to be the same that several
years ago carried off a young child and restored
her to her mother unharmed. "She," says the
story, "was a girl of about five years of age, and
was taken to the jungle. She is popularly
supposed to possess certain supernatural powers.
The tiger, which was of enormous size, is called
the "Kramat harman," and the natives make
out that it is harmless.

THE Shanghai Paper Hunt Club held a race
meeting on the 8th inst., the programme com-
prising six events, including a steeplechase.

By the last transport to Franco-China the French
authorities sent several thousands of rifles of the
1886 pattern, "smokeless and noiseless," for the
use of the marines. "Better late than never,"
says the *France Militaire*, "and our brave little
marines will certainly make good use of them."

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play
the following programme on the Barrack Square,
this evening, commencing at 7.30 o'clock:

March..... "Preston"..... "Derry"
Lancers..... "Variety"..... "D'Evilla"
Polka..... "The Rose"..... "The Rose"
Polo..... "The Rose"..... "The Rose"
Gallop..... "The Rose"..... "The Rose"

JUDGING from the lengthy and very compli-
mentary notices in the Singapore papers of the
performances given by the Hudson Surprise
Party we may expect a regular treat next week.
The *Singapore Free Press* says of the genial
Thomson:—"The bulk of his company numerically
consists of half-a-dozen charming young ladies,
upon whom devolves the execution of a large
share of the programme. Farical sketches,
vocal solos ranging from sentimental ballads to
the last colonial sentiment in the music-hall line,
single and double dances natively footed, clever
and original character songs and duets, with the
eccentricities of Messrs. Hudson and Gilbert,
and the graceful aerial feats of Ouda, make up a
bill of fare wonderfully varied and attractive."

THE impressive Bernhardi Ruchwaldy is again
on the war-path, and will give a performance,
under the distinguished patronage of Major
General Bevan Edwards, C. B., in the Garrison
Theatre on Saturday night. Ruchwaldy is an
exceptionally clever all-round artist, Madame
Ruchwaldy is a good pianiste, and the three
children are remarkable infant prodigies. The
Professor has, moreover, arranged a very invit-
ing and varied programme that ought to ensure
a crowded house. Fortune has not been too kind
of late to the "King of the Hungarian Cigany
Hegedus," but it is a long lane that has no turn-
ing, and we trust that Saturday night will prove
the turning point. The doors of the Garrison
Theatre will open at 8.30 on Saturday, and the
show commence at 9 o'clock sharp.

A VERY difficult administration case which arose
out of a tragedy on the high seas in November
last was tried on the Supreme Court at Singapore
last week. A junk arrived from Loken with a
cargo of tin, which was sold with suspicious
baseness. It was then discovered that the junk
had brought only a crew, with no chinchew,
passengers, or owners.

On the 11th inst. a ship was reported to have
been wrecked on the coast of Sumatra. The ship
had been bound for Bangkok, the crew had
murdered the chinchew and passengers, 15 in all,
run the ship down to Singapore, sold the
cargo, and decamped. The widow of the
chinchew now applied for administration of
the effects of her late husband, named Ko
A Chen, who was also part owner of the
ship and cargo. The junk is now in the
hands of the Singapore police, and is valued
at over \$1,000, and there is \$4,000 owing o-
account of the sale of the cargo. A Bangkok
firm, Mah Wah & Co., claim the vessel, but it
is not yet decided by the court. The widow
of Ko A Chen, the owner and Mah Wah &
Co. had advanced money to him. The chinchew's
nephew, who overheard the conversation which
led to the discovery of the crime, was now called
and repeated his evidence. His lordship granted
an administration order for the property of the
deceased chinchew, whatever that property might
be, and appointed Mr. Veige receiver, so that he
could negotiate with the Bangkok firm as to
their rights in the effects available.

A COURT-MARTIAL was held at Sheerness the other
day on the G.L.G. of H.M.S. *Tyne*, who will
well remember in this colony, the alleged
offence being insubordination to Commander
Goodridge. *Truth* deals trenchantly with the
case and states both the Commander of the *Tyne*
and the captain who composed the court-martial
most unmercifully. Another London paper, the
Hawk, remarks as follows:

"Neither Commander Goodridge nor Lieuten-
ant Gleig comes well out of the quarrel on
board the *Tyne*, which culminated in the court-
martial lately held at Sheerness. It is impossi-
ble to speak too severely of the insubordinate
attitude of the Commander, who was his
lieutenant, which went so far as the refusal
to hear them when they wished to remonstrate.
On the other hand, Gleig was the junior of three
lieutenants, and went out of his way to
take the lead and "bell the cat." For his
temerity he has clearly paid by dismissal from
his ship, and being put down some sixty places
while in order that discipline may be preserved,
the man whose insubordinate arrogance has
practically ruined poor Gleig walks his quarter-
deck more proudly than ever. Discipline is a
good thing, but we may have too much of it,
even in a man-of-war, as witness the wholesale
dismissals from a couple of ships lately.
We are venturing to think that the sentence
for such an offence—if it were an offence—
unnecessarily harsh and severe. But Lieut.
Gleig is well known as a clever writer on the
deficiencies of the Royal Navy, and is con-
sequently a *persona ingrata* with his superiors
in the Service."

THAT we are fortunate in the possession of some
newspapers, both in city and country, which well
discharge their proper office, and are conducted
with dignity, decorum, ability, and usefulness, all
will concede, says the Hon. Edward J. Phillips, in
Scribner's Magazine. But, as in the matter of
books, the question is how many are of this stamp,
and what relation do they bear to the whole?
And what are the advantages that properly
describe the rest? Description, indeed, is
unnecessary, because the knowledge of it is
already notorious and universal. No thoughtful
or educated person needs to be told, while the
titles of American newspapers, with the
describable exceptions already referred to, are
whether they are high or low in intellectual
ability and in tone, in what language they
are usually expressed, whether they seek to
enlighten and guide public opinion, or to
follow its worst aberrations and cater to its
lowest instincts; whether they attempt to discuss
with fairness and candour the merits of con-
troversial questions, or whether they depend
upon misrepresentations of facts, upon cheap
gibes, and appeals to the meanest prejudices,
whether they observe the truth, respect
private character, and the decencies of life;
whether, in short, they serve, so far as they
go, to instruct, to improve, to elevate their
readers, or only to delude and debase them;
are inquisitive that thoughtful men can
answer from their own observation. If they
can be generally answered favourably, so much
the better for the newspapers, and so much the
worse for those who venture to question their
character and their influence. One thing, at least,
must be generally admitted—the newspapers
have put an end to all human privacy. There is
man to observe, so unimportant, so utterly with-
drawn from the public eye and from all challenge
to popular attention; who has the right to a con-
fidentiality of any act or fact, or word or thought
of his own private life. If it will make an item,
or especially if it be one from which, by any
misrepresentation or gloss, a sensational story
can be made and told. The reporter is omniscient
and omnipresent.

FROM the *L. and C. Express*—The *Mercury*
will shortly be commissioned by Captain J. P.
Flood, to relieve the *Corvette* in China, the
latter vessel being then transferred to the
Australian command. Captain Flood, who was
promoted to that rank just three years ago,
commanded the *Magicienne* during recent
manoeuvres.

THE mechanical problem of cutting stones up
with something like 10" expedition and conve-
nience with which wood is handled in saw-
mills has fascinated many an inventor, and
has proved an expensive business; one of
the latest ideas was the use of circular saws
with small diamonds set as teeth, but the
plan that is making most headway is an
invention of the band saw, in which mild steel
twisted in three strands, and travelling at the
rate of fifteen feet a second, is the cutting agent,
with the assistance of sharp sand, and water,
poured into the cut. This is now used in the
south of France for cutting blocks straight out of
the quarry, the stone being simply cut in great
blocks from the face of the rock.

WILLIAM PHILLIPS and Samuel Sweetman, both
Britons born, and also hailing from H.M.'s
Imperieuse, were called on at the Police Court
to-day to answer quite a string of charges, the
most serious of which were those of drunkenness,
disorderly conduct, and—with sorrow be it
said—of having assaulted a lady named Eva
Bercovitz and a man named Cabell; that
the two defendants were the Rose Shamrock, and
Thistle. Mr. Cabell looked badly hurt, and is now
in the hospital. However, his evidence, which was
amply substantiated by the lady and her friends,
procured for the first offender a fine of \$5, or
three weeks in Gordon Castle, whilst the second
will be accommodated there for the term of
fourteen days only, in default of payment of a
fine of \$5.

ACCORDING to the *Nippon*, another case of
attempted assassination has taken place in
Japan. It says:—"A telegram, dated Tokyo,
10.5 p.m. on the 2nd inst, reports that an
attempt was made on the previous night to
assassinate Lieut. Gen. Viscount Torio. The
assassins were two in number, but the Viscount
was fortunately unharmed, and captured
them both. The telegram is short, and
we could not find out the real circumstances
of the case; whether the attempt was the result
of a difference of opinion as to political subjects,
or whether it arose from private enmity." Vis-
count Torio is, at present, the head of the *Hokku*
Chui-sha, one of the Conservative associations
of the country, but it is one which has only
existed for a couple of years, and it does not
seem to possess very much influence in the
country. Its leader can therefore scarcely count
as one of the ruling factors in the body politic.

THE prospectus of the Eastern Mortgage
and Agency Company (Limited), with a capital
of £1,000,000, in 100,000 shares of £10 each,
and 250 Founders' shares of £1 each. The first
issue consists of £500,000 in 50,000 shares;
50,000 are ordinary shares of £10 each, on
which it is proposed £1 should be paid,
and there are 10,000 "A" shares of £10
each, which bear the same dividend as the
ordinary shares, but are preferential as to
£9 at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum. These
shares will of course be paid in full. There
are also 250 Founders' shares of £1 each, which
will be allotted at par to the applicants who have
provisionally applied for the whole of the ordinary
shares, but no preference in the allotment of the
ordinary shares will be given to these applicants
over those made by the public. Applications will
also be received for £100,000 terminable Four-
and-a-half per cent. debentures, to be issued for
three or more years, with interest coupons at-
tached, payable half-yearly on May 15 and Nov. 11.
The company desires financially
to serve as India, Burmah, the Straits Settle-
ments, &c., where there is undoubtedly a
remunerative field. It has long been recognised
that such an undertaking would have many
opportunities of profitably employing its capital
in the Straits Settlements, and the field has been
more than once pointed out in the columns of
the *Telegraph*. Sir Hugh Low, G.C.M.G., and Mr. Wm. Paterson
are the representatives of the Straits Settlements
on the Board of Directors.—*L. and C. Express*.

THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

AN APPEAL TO THE PUBLIC.

Committee Room, Alice Memorial Hospital,
Hongkong, 11th March, 1890.

To the Hongkong Community.
The report for the past year of the Alice
Memorial being now before the public, the
Finance Committee believe that the time has
come for an appeal which they have for some
time had in view.

Built by Dr. Ho Kai, fully equipped by a ready
response to an appeal to the public, and opened
on the 17th of February, 1887; the Hospital had
hitherto been carried on almost entirely by funds
raised by spasmodic efforts of the nature of public
fetes, &c., a method of supporting a public in-
stitution necessarily of a temporary character.

The large numbers of the suffering poor of all
nationalities availing themselves of the Hospi-
tal's benefits, and justifying its erection, the
confidence in itself, and in Western medicine
generally, which it seems inspiring in the minds
of the Chinese population, not only in Hongkong
but also in the surrounding country, for not
infrequently patients come from considerable dis-
tances, and its usefulness as a training insti-
tution for native medical students, already to
a considerable extent being taken advantage of,
combine to inspire in the Finance Committee an
assurance that they may, with confidence, now
ask the public to put the Hospital on a firm
financial basis by the creation of annual subscrip-
tion lists. They venture to hope that this appeal
will meet with as hearty a response as former
appeals have had.

It is found as a matter of experience that the
large proportion of those most urgently
requiring the benefits of the Hospital belong to
the very poorest classes, unable to pay even a
fraction of the ten cents a day nominally charged
for food, but paid by comparatively few, which
being the case, the funds of the Hospital have
justified the admission of only the most pressing
cases, many who might, with advantage, have
been received as in-patients being treated in the
Out-patient department, while the Hospital beds
have been monopolized, and the development of
this important department, of the work must
largely depend on the liberal and self-sacrificing
contributions are supplied. Subscribers to
the funds have the privilege of sending patients
to the Hospital at all hours of the day and night.
Admission cards may be had by application at
the Hospital.

Subscriptions may be intimated to E. W.
Maitland, Esq., Hon. Treasurer of the Hospital,
Dr. Chalmers, Dr. J. C. Thomson, or any member
of the Finance Committee. Subscription
sheets will also be found at Messrs. Lane,
Crawford, and Co.; Messrs. Kelly and Walsh,
Ld.; and Messrs. Kruse and Co.
(An appeal similar to the above is being cir-
culated among the Chinese portion of the com-
munity.)

In the name of the Finance Committee,
CLARENCE PALMER, Chairman of the Finance Committee.
E. W. MAITLAND, Hon. Treasurer of the Hospital.
JOHN CHALMERS, General Secretary.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The following is the fourth annual report, for
presentation at the yearly meeting to be held at
the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s office, Praya Central, on
Saturday, the 15th March, 1890.

The Committee have much pleasure in pre-
sents their 4th annual report, to be able to
congratulate the members on the satisfactory
state of the Association. The sum of \$324.44
was brought forward from the last account, and
an outstanding liability of \$134.50 and un-
collected accounts amounting to \$55. This year
\$203.55 is brought forward with an outstanding
liability of \$294.40 and uncollected accounts
amounting to \$747, which is really converting a
debit balance of \$540.00 into a credit balance
of \$156.15.

The Committee desire to thank the many
donors for their munificent prizes and donations
to the Prize Fund, and to one Chinese gentleman
in particular who presented the Association with
the two handsome silver cups called the Kwoon
Kwan Yuen Cups.

There was only one Prize Meeting held, instead
of two as in the previous year, as the Committee
were doubtful of

PARIS, February 18th.
The Comte de Paris has telegraphed from Havana how proud and pleased he is at the conduct of the Duke of Orleans.

LONDON, February 19th.
Mr. Amey Ali, barrister-at-law, has been appointed to succeed the Honorable R. C. Mitter as Judge of the High Court, Calcutta.

Admiral Deinhart, of the German Navy, has been appointed a Commander of the Bath. The Governor of Malta has been appointed a Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Mr. Henniker Heaton last night read a paper at the Society of Arts on the desirability of an ocean penny postage and cheap telegraph throughout Europe, in which he shows the notably immense advantages it would confer on India.

Sir J. Gorst, in reply to a question in the House of Commons, said Government was anxious to show every consideration for the rights of the Maharajah of Cashmere consistent with the rights of his people. The statement of Lord Cross relative to the Maharajah's restoration, he said, pre-supposed the remedying of the existing situation.

Mr. Parnell's amendment to the address has been rejected by 307 against 240 votes.

In the House of Commons Mr. Balfour, replying to a question, said the Crimes Act had improved the condition of Ireland, thus permitting the Government to restrict its operations; if, however, it was found necessary to re-proclaim certain districts, Government would not hesitate to take the step, but Mr. Balfour was of opinion that the improvement would be permanent and that a few years of just government would restore order.

The Bill of Lord Cross to amend the Indian Councils Act proposes to fulfil Lord Lansdowne's pledge to enlarge the Councils and confer the power of interpellation.

Justice Field has resigned. Mr. Bigger's death was very sudden, as he was seized with stoppage of the heart's action while performing his duties of Teller in the division last evening.

PARIS, February 20th.
A fatal explosion has taken place at a colliery in the Department of Nièvre, due to the ignition of coal dust; thirty-four corpses so far have been recovered.

LONDON, February 20th.
Crofters on Lewis Island are reported to be in a desperate condition, and are resolved upon seizing the park and deer forest, some of which they have been deprived. They are now collecting tents and baggage for a long campaign, and it is feared much trouble will ensue.

A coal bed has been discovered in the vicinity of Dover at a depth of 1,100 feet.

The House of Commons rejected Dr. Clark's amendment to the Address by a majority of 40. Lord Hartington has arrived at Cairo.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 20th.
Three members of the Cretan Council have been sentenced by court-martial to seven years' imprisonment for having resigned their posts owing to the threats of the Cretan Committee at Athens.

In the event of Moussa Bey having to stand his trial again, the Sultan ordered that it shall take place at the Yildiz Palace under his own control.

LISBON, February 20th.
The different political parties—Liberal, Conservatives, and Republican—here, united with the object of bringing forward the African explorers as candidates for the Lisbon arrangement at the forthcoming elections for the Cortes.

LONDON, February 21st.
Government has received the report of the Commission appointed to inquire into the Administration of the Army and Navy, which it is understood is of a favorable character. The Commission is of opinion that the War Office is in a state of unsatisfactory, and various changes in the War Office and the Admiralty are suggested, fixing control and establishing direct responsibility. Changes at the Horse Guards are also urged.

Mr. Asquith brought forward an amendment to the address, "That this House regrets the omission from the Queen's Speech of any proposals regarding free education in England." Sir W. Hart-Dyke said that Government admits the importance of the matter, but it is not intended to submit proposals respecting the subject this year. Mr. Chamberlain was opposed to the question, as it entailed a vote of confidence, otherwise he would support it. The amendment was rejected by a majority of 60 votes.

February 22nd.
Mr. Gladstone, who was confined in his bed with a severe cold, is better, and up again.

Seven arrests have been made at Glenageary in Kildare under the Crimes Act. The arrests include the parish priest of Kinsella, who was charged with building shelters for evicted tenants at Kinsella, and has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

H.M.S. *Boddie*, with Admiral Fremantle on board, left Zanzibar yesterday for Bombay.

The P. & O. steamer *Oriental* touched the ground on Saturday night in the quarantine harbour at Malta and damaged her rudder. She has now gone into dock there for repairs.

It is stated that Prince George of Wales will command the new gunboat *Thrush*.

ROME, February 22nd.
The Italians are at present very active in the Teke and Kasala districts, and have subsidized the sheiks and concluded an alliance with a prominent Hadendowah sheik against the dervishes.

LONDON, February 24th.
The bringing to Newbridge of the prisoners arrested at Glenageary, led to serious riots in the streets yesterday. The police charged the mob repeatedly, injuring twenty of them. Dragons eventually cleared the streets.

NEW YORK, February 24th.
The flood caused by the bursting of a dam at Prescott has submerged the neighbouring town of Wickburg. A few only of the inhabitants escaped, but the telegraph wires being down, prevent any definite estimate of the mortality, being received; the loss of life however is known to have been enormous.

LONDON, February 24th.
In the House of Commons this evening Mr. Motley gave notice that Mr. Gladstone would move an amendment to Mr. Smith's motion of Monday last, censuring the false charges which were based upon calumny and forgery against certain members and especially Mr. Parnell; and that while being satisfied with the exposure, the House regrets the wrong, suffering, and loss caused through these acts of flagrant infamy.

NEW YORK, February 24th.
The House of Representatives at Washington has decided upon Chicago as the site of the Exhibition in 1892.

LONDON, February 25th.
The Address of House of Commons in reply to the Queen's Speech was voted after the rejection by large majorities of various amendments, including one by Mr. Robert Graham declaring it to be imperative that British representatives be authorized to discuss the eight hours question at the Berlin Conference. Mr. Bradlaugh opposed the limitation of hours, as it would drive British trade to foreign markets. Sir James Ferguson said that Government had replied to Emperor William's invitation in no unambiguous manner.

SOFIA, February 25th.
Bulgaria will pay the three millions roubles claimed by Russia immediately.

PARIS, February 25th.
The Duke of Orleans has been removed to prison at Clairvaux; the Government has postponed pardoning him, as they fear it would excite the anger of the Radical party.

LONDON, February 25th.
Sir Charles Lewis has given notice in the House of Commons that, if Mr. Chamberlain's amendment to Mr. Smith's motion is carried, it will move an addendum regretting that members of the House Commons were implicated in a criminal plot, and condemning their conduct.

February 26th.
The Committee, of which Lord Harris was President, appointed to enquire into the Militia of the United Kingdom, have reported that material advance has been made in the service since the year 1874, but that the efficiency of the force is its weak point.

NEW YORK, February 26th.
Details of the disaster at Prescott show that a wall of water forty feet high swept along for a distance of a hundred miles, and that scarcely a house remains where it passed over. Happily the district was sparsely inhabited and the loss of life is not so great as at first supposed. The town of Wickburg was quite demolished. Fully one hundred and fifty, mostly miners and herdsmen, perished.

BERLIN, February 26th.
The semi-official press here states that Prince Bismarck has only deferred his resignation of the Chancellorship, which is owing to the result of the elections, and is regarded as a further proof of the want of accord between the Prince and the Emperor William.

Thirty more non-commissioned officers have sailed to join Major Wisniewski's force.

LONDON, February 27th.
Sir William H. Russell, speaking at Bath, said the Commission of Justice was wholly unfit to decide where charges were depending upon politics.

NETHERLANDS INDIAN NEWS.
A firm at Surabaya having need of a book-keeper, advertised the other day for one, on condition that the candidates should undergo competitive examination. It seems that, of late, it has become customary there to examine in that fashion applicants for mercantile employment. Even in engaging clerks, mere copying machines, at 25 to 50 guilders a month, a sort of examination has to be gone through. Objection can hardly be against the practice. The supply in such cases goes so far beyond the demand that employers resort to this method to choose the best servants in the labour market.

Last month, a prominent member of the Chinese mercantile community at Surabaya filled to the amount of four hundred thousand guilders, the assets being a mere nothing in comparison.

Achen news offer little variety. The forts recently taken from the Achinese have been evacuated by the troops and razed to the ground, but other forts in the neighbourhood present such a formidable front as to make an attack risky. The civil authorities on the spot hope steadily to gain over the leading spirits of the Achinese war party, and fancy that the good time coming is not far off. Such is the confidence in the so-called friendly Achinese that arms and ammunition have been distributed among them without stint, though it is feared they will use them against the Government. It is said, indeed, to pass an enactment curtailing the liberty hitherto given to the Chinese to take land on lease in Netherland-India.

At Jembrana, in Bali, the people find tigers very troublesome, owing to these beasts of prey marauding in the villages and becoming a terror to their inhabitants. The latter take their precaution to go to the fields in companies, but this does not prevent several of them from being carried off at times by these prowlers.

In Java there is yet no sign of dogs, though the latter abound in the mountains among them. The Government, however, the natives make short work of mad dogs, and soon kill them to prevent further mischief. The number of deaths from hydrophobia there is hard to ascertain, owing to bitten persons not dying till weeks and months after the bite. In that case the real cause of death does not appear in the mortality returns.

The Batavia *Nieuwblad* says that a new assessment on lands and houses there has aroused widespread dissatisfaction among the European and native community on account of too high a valuation of the rental. Land is assessed for five times the market value. The owners take it out of their tenants, and occupy even small plots for the enhanced revenue demand. Some of the natives have been hit so hard that they talk of moving off to Singapore with a d baggage and settling down there.

At Cheribon the other day, a party given by a native headman in honour of his daughter's marriage had a tragic end. A coolie engaged by one of the guests, worth at being kept too long without pay, ran amok and killed two headmen, besides wounding five other persons before he was mastered. Naturally this threw a damper on the festive joy, and the guests made off as quickly as possible.

The financial results of the Government cinchona cultivation in Java have proved satisfactory so far. The accounts for 1888 show a profit of 230,000 guilders, and the figures for last year are expected to bring out a balance to the good amounting to 550,000 guilders.

The increasing unhealthiness of Tadjong Priok has led to the Government directing the local sanitary authorities to enquire into the reason why, and the best way to remedy the evil.

The efforts made by Mr. Gyllen to float a company at Amsterdam to work the petroleum springs in Langkat have taken such a favourable turn that he deems success to be within his reach shortly.

Telegraphic advices have been received at Batavia that the contractors about to manage the N. I. mail service instead of the N. I. S. N. Company will take over all the Captain to the latter's employ, but for the present have not yet made up their minds what to do with engineers of foreign nationality. They go upon the principle that only Netherlanders may be employed in their vessels as far as practicable.

The Chinaman who murdered Mr. Munder, the cinchona planter, in the Preanger, has confessed to the crime. The *Locomotief* deplores the fact that the slow pace justice moves in that quarter will not allow the coming trial of much of the deterrent effect.

The Government intends to curb reckless speculation in land. Applicants for leases will have to give security that they have adequate working capital for estate enterprises.

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The following Events are open to the Services, viz.—Sailors, Soldiers, Volunteers and Police.

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TWO-OF-WAR Teams of 1, Prize, \$20.

PIPE PLAYING, Quick Step, Strathspey and Reel, Prizes, \$10, \$3.

Entries to be made on the Ground.

The Band will play during the afternoon.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1890.

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By Order of the Board of Directors, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

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Spoon Competitions, 34.10

Ammunition and Rifles sold, 516.84

Interest on Current Account, 4.79

\$2,983.61

Expenditure.

By Jan. 1st to Dec. 31st, 1889, \$425.25

By Outstanding Account from 1888, 192.00

Markers Wages, 192.00

Stores for Range, 31.35

Stationery, Postages and Office Expenses, 26.87

Monthly Challenge Cup Money, 30.00

Prizes, 395.25

John Andrew, Balance of account as per last Balance Sheet, 14.40

7th Prize Meeting, Markers, Printing Clerks, &c., 315.80

7th Prize Meeting, Money Prizes and Pools, 965.34

Mat Shed, 16.00

Share of Cup to Shanghai Team, 50.00

Prizes, 261.00

Advertising, 54.80

Balance in hand, 203.55

\$2,983.61

Balance Sheet.

To Subscriptions unpaid, \$247.00

Challenge Cups, 550.00

Sheds, Targets and Plant, 700.00

Balance in hand, 203.55

\$1,700.55

Liabilities.

By Sundry accounts outstanding, \$294.40

Depreciation of Sheds, Targets and Plant, 100.00

Balance in favour of Association 31st December, 1889, 1,305.15

\$1,700.55

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LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, February 17th.

Her Majesty the Queen goes to Aix-les-Bains on the 25th March.

The Sultan has the Queen on visiting France will be received by M. Carnot, whilst in Paris, whence she will proceed to Aix-les-Bains.

ZANBAR, February 17th.

The new Sultan has hoisted his flag here and held a large reception on the occasion, most of the Europeans here attending.

Bombardier, with strong reinforcements, defies Major Wisniam, who is waiting the Sudanese officers. The Germans will be employed in attacking the Keila southern ports, where serious resistance is anticipated. The Sultan has rebuffed his standard at Zanbar, and afterwards held a State reception of European Admirals. Fremantle sails for Bombay on Saturday.

February 18th.

The Sultan assured the British despatch which waited upon him yesterday of his friendship for Great Britain, and his sympathy with British aspirations in East Africa.

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In the House of Commons Mr. Smith, replying to Mr. Parnell, said Government would ask the House to adopt the report of the Parnell Commission, and to thank the judges for their impartial conduct, and enter the report in the Journals of the House.

The Government have invited delegates from India to the Congress Conference to be held in Paris in May.

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Admiral Deland, of the German Navy, has been appointed a Commander of the Bath.
The Governor of Malta has been appointed a Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Mr. Henniker Heaton last night read a paper at the Society of Arts on the desirability of an ocean penny postage and cheap telegraph throughout Europe, in which he shows the notably immense advantages it would confer on India.

Sir J. Gorst, in reply to a question in the House of Commons, said Government was anxious to show every consideration for the rights of the Maharajah of Caximere consistent with the rights of his people. The statement of Lord Cross relative to the Maharajah's restoration, he said, pre-supposed the remedying of the existing situation.

Mr. Parnell's amendment to the address has been rejected by 307 against 240 votes.

In the House of Commons Mr. Balfour, replying to a question, said the Crimes Act had improved the condition of Ireland, thus permitting the Government to restrict its operations; if, however, it was found necessary to restrict certain districts, Government would not hesitate to take the step, but Mr. Balfour was of opinion that the improvement would be permanent and that for a few years of just government would restore order.

The Bill of Lord Cross to amend the Indian Councils Act proposes to fulfil Lord Lansdowne's pledge to enlarge the Councils and confer the power of interpellation.

Justice Field has resigned.
Mr. Wiggan's death was very sudden, as he was seized with stoppage of the heart's action while performing his duties of Teller in the division last evening.

PARIS, February 20th.
A fatal explosion has taken place at a colliery in the Department of Nièvre, due to the ignition of coal dust; thirty-four corpses so far have been recovered.

LONDON, February 20th.
Crofters on Lewis Island are reported to be in a desperate condition, and are resolved upon seizing the park and deer forest there, of which they have been deprived. They are now collecting tents and baggage for a long campaign, and it is feared much trouble will ensue.

A coal bed has been discovered in the vicinity of Dover at a depth of 1,000 feet.
The House of Commons rejected Dr. Clark's amendment to the Address by a majority of 40.
Lord Hartington has arrived at Cairo.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 20th.
Three members of the Cretan Council have been sentenced by court-martial to seven years' imprisonment for having resigned their posts owing to the threats of the Cretan Committee at Athens.

In the event of Moussa Bey having to stand his trial again, the Sultan ordered that it shall take place at the Yildiz Palace under his own control.

LISBON, February 20th.
The different political parties—Liberal, Conservatives, and Republicans—have united with the object of bringing forward the African explorers as candidates for the Lisbon arrangement at the forthcoming elections for the Cortes.

LONDON, February 21st.
Government has received the report of the Commission appointed to inquire into the Administration of the Army and Navy, which it is understood is of a drastic character. The condition of the War Office is stated to be unsatisfactory, and various changes in the War Office and the Admiralty are suggested, fixing control and establishing direct responsibility. Changes at the Horse Guards are also suggested.

Mr. Acland brought forward an amendment to the address, "That this House regrets the omission from the Queen's Speech of any proposals regarding free education in England." Sir W. Hart-Dyke said that Government admits the importance of the matter, but it is not intended to submit proposals respecting the subject this year. Mr. Chamberlain was opposed to the question, as it entailed a vote of no confidence; otherwise he would support it. The amendment was rejected by a majority of 60 votes.

February 23rd.
Mr. Gladstone, who was confined to his bed with a severe cold, is better, and up again. Seventy arrests have been made at Glenageary in Kildare under the Crimes Act. The arrests include the parish priest, Kinella, who was charged with building shelters for evicted tenants at Kinella, and has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

H.M.S. *Boudicca*, with Admiral Fremantle on board, left Zanzibar yesterday for Bombay.

The P. & O. steamer *Oriental* touched the ground on Saturday night in the quarantine harbour at Malta and damaged her rudder. She has now gone into dock there for repairs.

It is stated that Prince George of Wales will command the new gunboat *Thrush*.

ROME, February 23rd.
The Italians are at present very active in the Taka and Kassala districts, and have subdued the sheiks and concluded an alliance with a prominent Hadendawla sheik against the dervishes.

LONDON, February 24th.
The bringing to Newbridge of the prisoners arrested at Glenageary, led to serious riots in the streets yesterday. The police charged the mob repeatedly, inflicting twenty of them. Dragoons eventually cleared the streets.

NEW YORK, February 24th.
The flood caused by the bursting of a dam at Prescott has submerged the neighbouring town of Wickburg. A few only of the inhabitants escaped; but the telegraph wires being down prevented any definite estimate of the mortality being received; the loss of life however is known to have been enormous.

LONDON, February 24th.
In the House of Commons this evening Mr. Morley gave notice that Mr. Gladstone would move an amendment to Mr. Smith's motion of Monday last, censuring the false charges which were based upon calumny and forgery against certain members and especially Mr. Parnell and that while being satisfied with the exposure of the House regrets the wrong, suffering, and loss caused through these acts of dishonesty and calumny.

NEW YORK, February 24th.
The House of Representatives at Washington has decided upon Chicago as the site of the Exhibition in 1892.

LONDON, February 25th.
The Address of House of Commons in reply to the Queen's Speech was voted after the rejection by large majorities of various amendments, including one by Mr. Robert Graham declaring it to be imperative that British representatives be authorized to discuss the eight hours question at the Berlin Conference. Mr. Bradlaugh opposed the limitation of hours, as it would drive British trade to foreign markets. Sir James Ferguson said that Government had replied to Emperor William's invitation in no unambiguous manner.

ROMA, February 25th.
Bulgaria will pay the three millions roubles claimed by Russia immediately.

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The Duke of Orleans has been removed to prison at Clairvaux; the Government has postponed pardoning him, as they fear it would excite the anger of the Radical party.

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Sir Charles Lewis has given notice in the House of Commons that, if Mr. Gladstone's amendment to Mr. Smith's motion is carried, he will move an addendum regretting that members of the House Commons were implicated in a criminal plot, and condemning their conduct.

February 26th.
The Committee, of which Lord Harris was President, appointed to enquire into the Militia of the United Kingdom, have reported that material advance has been made in the service since the year 1874, but that the officer of the force is its weak point.

NEW YORK, February 26th.
Details of the disaster at Prescott show that a wall of water 15 feet high swept along for a distance of a half mile, and that scarcely a house remains where it passed over. Happily the district was scarcely inhabited, and the loss of life is not so great as at first supposed. The town of Wickburg has been quite demolished. Fully one hundred and fifty, mostly miners and herdsmen, perished.

BERLIN, February 26th.
The semi-official press here states that Prince Bismarck has only deferred his resignation of the office of Chancellor, which is owing to the result of the elections, and is regarded as a fourth proof of the want of accord between the Prince and the Emperor William.

Thirty more non-commissioned officers have sailed to join Major Wismann's force.

LONDON, February 27th.
The Commission of Judges, although competent to deal with facts, was wholly unfit to decide where charges were depending upon politics.

NETHERLANDS INDIAN NEWS.
A firm at Surabaya having need of a book-keeper, advertised the other day for one, on condition that the candidate should undergo competitive examination. It seems that, of late, it has become customary there to examine in this fashion applicants for mercantile employment. Even in engaging clerks, mere copying machines, at 25 to 50 guilders a month, a sort of examination has to be gone through. Object on can hardly lie against the practice. The supply in such cases goes so far beyond the demand that employers resort to this method to choose the best servants in the labour market.

Last month a prominent member of the Chinese mercantile community at Surabaya, filled to the amount of four hundred thousand guilders, the assets being a mere nothing in comparison.

Aches news offer little variety. The forts recently taken from the Achinese have been recaptured by the troops and razed to the ground, but other forts in the neighbourhood present such a formidable front as to make an attack risky. The civil authorities on the spot hope steadily to gain over the leading spirits of the Achinese war party, and fancy that the good time coming is not far off. Such is the confidence in the so-called friendly Achinese that arms and ammunition have been distributed among them without stint, though experience has shown that these supplies find their way too often into wrong hands.

The Government, it is said, intend to pass an enactment curtailing the liberty hitherto given to the Chinese to take land on lease in Netherlands India.

At Jembrana, in Bali, the people find tigers very troublesome, owing to these beasts of prey marauding in the villages and becoming a terror to their inhabitants. The latter take the precaution to go to the fields in companies, but this does not prevent several of them from being carried off at times by these prowlers.

In Java there is yet no tax on dogs, though the latter abound, and make mischief among them. It is far from uncommon, but the natives make short work of mad dogs, and soon kill them to prevent further mischief. The number of deaths from hydrophobia there is hard to ascertain, owing to bitten persons not dying till weeks and months after the bite. In that case the real cause of death does not appear in the mortality returns.

The *Batavia Nieuwsblad* says that a new assessment on lands and houses there has aroused widespread dissatisfaction among the European and native community on account of a very high valuation of the rental. Land is assessed four to five times the market value. The owners take to heart the enhanced value of their property, and some of the natives have on his head that they talk of moving off to Singapore with a bag and a bundle and settling down there.

A Cheribon the other day, a party given by a native headman in honour of his daughter's marriage had a tragic end. A coolie engaged by one of the guests, who at being kept too long without pay, ran amok and killed two headmen, besides wounding five other persons before he was mastered. Naturally this threw a damper on the festive joy, and the guests made off as quickly as possible.

The financial results of the Government elections in Java have proved satisfactory so far. The accounts for 1888 show a profit of 23,000 guilders, and the figures for last year are expected to bring out a balance to the good amounting to 55,000 guilders.

The increasing unhealthiness of Tasjeng Priok has led to the Government directing the local sanitary authorities to enquire into the reason why, and the best way to remedy the evil.

The efforts made by Mr. Zyker to float a company at Amsterdam to work the petroleum spring in Langkat have taken such a favourable turn that he deems success to be within his reach shortly.

Telegraphic advice has been received at Batavia that the contractors about to manage the N. I. mail service instead of the N. I. S. N. Company will take over all the Captains in the latter's employ, but for the present, have not yet made up their minds what to do with engineers of foreign nationality. They go upon the principle that only Netherlands may be employed in their vessels as far as is practicable.

The Chinaman who murdered Mr. Munder, the cinchona planter, in the Freiger, has confessed to the crime. The *Locomotief* deplores the fact that the slow pace justice moves in that quarter will rob the coming trial of much of its deterrent effect.

The Government intends to curb reckless speculation in land. Applicants for leases will have to give security that they have adequate working capital for estate enterprise.

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Captain Under will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 15th instant, at DAYLIGHT, instead of as previously advertised, owing to the inclemency of the weather.

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "MIRZAPORE," will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the outward English Mail.

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THE ST. GEORGE'S HALL.

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PROGRAMME.

PART I.

1.—March, Faust, by Chorus by Lady and Gounod.

2.—Aria, for Soprano, Miss I. d'A. e Castro.

3.—Romanza for Violoncello, by C. Grace.

4.—Angela's Serenade, by Mrs. A. G. Gordon.

5.—Quintette for Soprano, Tenor, and Piano, by Mrs. M. G. von Wille.

6.—Cochucha, for Piano, by Miss C. Souza.

7.—Grand Aria and Capriccio for Soprano, by Miss E. Carvalho.

8.—Largo nel finale, by Mrs. J. D. Humphreys.

9.—Song—She wandered down the Mountain Side, for Soprano, by Mrs. G. von Wille.

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